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FOLLOWING TEL SENT ACTION BANGKOK, INFO CHIANG MAI, 23 OCT 73,
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SUBJECO: "PEOPLE OF KHON KAEN" BLAST GOVERNOR AND LORD MAYOR.

SUMMARY: LEAFLET ENTITLED "COMMUNIQUE OF THE PEOPLE OF
KHON KAEN" WAS DISTRIBUTED THROUGHOUT KHON KAEN CITY OCT. 18.
LEAFLET POINTS OUT CORRUPTION OF THE TWO OFFICIALS AND THEIR
CLOSE ASSOCIATION WITH FORMER FIELD MARSHALL PRAPHAT. USIS BPAO
KHON KAEN GIVEN COPY OF LEAFLET BY STRINGER FOR BAN MUANG IN KHON
KAEN WHO POSSIBLE AUTHOR. END SUMMARY.

1. DECLARED PURPOSE OF LEAFLET TO "CHASE AWAY BURI PROMMALAKHANO
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THE SUPERCROOKED GOVERNOR AND SUTHON CHUENSOMCHIT, THE DECEITFUL

MAYOR". LEAFLET ALLEGES THAT PRAPHAT SENT BURI AND SUTHON TO KHON KAEN TO CONTROL CONSTRUCTION CONTRACTS AND CITES NUMEROUS EXAMPLES OF THEIR MISUSE OF POWER FOR PROFIT.

2. BURI HAS LONG HAD UNSAVORY REPUTATION IN HIS OWN RIGHT AND CLOSE ASSOCIATION WITH PRAPHAT ADDS FUEL TO FIRE. HE NOW JOINS GOVERNOR PRAMOON IN KORAT ON LIST OF PRAPHAZ'S CRONIES WHO HAVE BEEN SINGLED OUT FOR CRITICISM. SHOULD NATIONAL STUDENT CENTER OF THAILAND (NSCT) DECIDE TO FOCUS ON PROVINCIAL OFFICIALS IN NORTHEAST THESE TWO COULD WELL BE AMONG FIRST "DOMINOES" TO FALL.
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